



Century Toppers Rod & Custom Car Club

Minutes – regular monthly meeting Oct. 21, 2015.

Meeting called to order @ 7:30 p.m.

Attendance: 28 members present, with guest **Larry McMillan** from the Rogues Car Club

As **Bill Campbell** was arriving late this evening, **Bob Bentham** chaired the meeting.

Guest Speaker this evening: **Larry McMillan** with an overview of next year's **Rock N Roll for Little Souls**

Next year marks the 14th annual fund raising event that supports pediatric care in Victoria. In the past 13 years, around **\$250,000** has been raised towards the health care of young people in our city. It started out as a dinner/dance with some special interest vehicles; however, the event has morphed into a 3 day invitational car show with vendors and events related to the hobby. This year's expenses for the event amounted to just \$1600, and the goal next year, is to eliminate all expenses, meaning every cent raised will go toward this worthy cause. **The 2016 event is slated for May 27th-29th**, with 75 – 80 spaces available for a great mix of special interest cars. Only vehicles which have not been shown at this event are eligible.

The purpose of **Larry's** submission this evening is to suggest a change in the format for next year, by highlighting the various car clubs in the city. Each club would have its own area to display its cars, other mementos' and possibly have products for sale. The new format it is hoped would bring a great mix of vehicles that would have something of interest to a wider segment of spectators and hopefully raising more money. Feedback from the members present this evening was positive.

A decision will be made by the organizing committee next month and **Marlin Ball** volunteered to be our club representative should further meetings be scheduled.

Bob Bentham thanked **Larry McMillan** for his presentation and on behalf of our club indicated a strong commitment to support this event.

Secretary's report: The September minutes were distributed by email – no errors or omission reported.

Motion: To accept the Sept. minutes as distributed – made by **Ken Black**, seconded by **Don Wilson**. All in favour, none opposed, carried.

Treasurer's report: At the end of September our bank balance was **\$5009.52** plus our \$20 cash float. Expenses during this month included a deposit to the Gorge Vale Golf Club for \$300 and a retainer to our new DJ for \$100. Both of these expense are for our Christmas dinner/dance event. A cheque was cut this evening to **Bob Bentham** for \$32.46 for nylon rope required for our parking duties at the Torquemasters' August show. Our bank balance after allowing for these expenses will be **\$4611.85**.

Motion: To accept the treasurer's report as read made by **Brian Pearce**, seconded by **Chris MacKay**. **All in favour, none opposed, carried.**

Bob Bentham took a moment out, to recognize a founding member of our club who was present this evening – **Dal Middleton** visiting from Vancouver. **Dal** related a couple of stories of the early days of our club and how our highly visible club jackets came to be. The Quarter Milers Car club preceded our club's creation in Victoria, and our members wanted new club jackets to be more recognizable than those of the Quarter Milers --- hence the **Electric Yellow** theme – YIKES!

Old Business:

Club Apparel:

Bob Bentham has paid a deposit of **\$726.00** to have our shirts ordered and imaged. They should be ready for the November meeting. We will be taking payments for the shirts this evening during the break. The cost is **\$49.28** per shirt and the list of orders is recorded and available.

Christmas Dinner Dance:

Changes this year include a new DJ, **Murray Boyce Music**, and we have revised his location to the main dining room in an effort to have more interaction with the guests. The Torquemasters and the Rogues clubs have each been given 24 tickets to sell to their members and guests. This year's entertainment will possibly be a music bingo contest as **Len Levere** has offered up his daughter's services, as she is an music entertainer, and has one prepared from past appearances.

Ticket are available this evening for \$50 a person – contact **Don Wilson** who has volunteered again this year to handle ticket purchases. Call 250 881-5599 or email dreamtruck@shaw.ca

Members are asked to please remember to try and solicit door prizes for this event.

Torquemasters Thank You:

The members, this evening, were shown a thank you plaque presented to us by the Sidney car club for our help during their August car show – a nice gesture and the recognition much appreciated.

Website update:

James Robinson informed the members that the website members' roster page has been brought up to date and is password protected so only members can get contact information. Other features including photos of new members and their vehicles will be added in the coming months as they are made available.

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50/50 winner this evening – Chris Mackay won \$48, he pocketed \$25, and donated \$23.00 back to the club – thanks **Chris**.

Bob Parker, during a basement cleanup, found 6 **NOS** Century Topper T shirts which were given out on a first come first serve basis this evening.

Social Media:

Bill Campbell arrived just in time to fill us in on his contact with **Todd Green** on their use of Facebook. They have found it quite useful and have not had any negative hacking or abuse. Discussion followed on how many of our members would use it, how tight is the security, and who would fill the roll of moderator. It was suggested that members go onto the Torquemaster's Facebook page just to see just how it works. Only registered and approved users would be able to communicate, add comments or feedback on our Facebook Page.

Motion: That we create a Century Toppers Facebook page and try the service out.
made by **Larry Irvine**, seconded by **Ken Black**. **Vote passed by majority.**

New Business:

Nominations for the 2016 Executive:

All of the present executive have agreed to stand for one more year, however, nominations for any of the positions is encouraged. The social committee members **Gord Strongman** (meal reservations) and **Mike Roy** (garage tours) have agreed to stay on and have another go.

The present executive makeup is as follows:

Bill Campbell, President **Bob Bentham**, Vice president **James Robinson**, Secretary
Loyd Houston, Treasurer

Bob Bentham was nominated this evening for President for 2016. No other nominations this evening, although it is hoped more will be forthcoming at our November meeting.

Member Photos:

James Robinson requested that new members stay for a few moments at the end of the meeting for photo taking.

November's Upcoming Events:

Sunday, November 8th -- planned luncheon – **Gord Strongman** suggested a brunch at **Colwood Golf Club**, and he will confirm – look for email

Saturday, November 21st -- possible garage tour – **Mike Roy** to arrange – look for email

No other new business - Motion to adjourn made by **Don Wilson** seconded by **Bob Parker**
Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

A big thank you to new member Marie McKay who bought donuts treats for the members this evening.

Upcoming Events:

See above item.

Note ----- November meeting --- ELECTIONS

Next meeting: Wednesday, October 21, 2015 – 7:30 pm at the Victorian Seniors Res.